THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI L. K. ADVANI): (a) and (b) The reported IPC-related crime during 1998 in the National Capital Territory of Delhi registered an ovrall increase of about 6.50 per cent over the preceding year. Delhi Police, however, have had some spectacular achievements in the prevention and detection of crime during 1998. These included a major crackdown on robbers; foiling of attempts to kidnap for ransom in several cases; arrest of large number of hardcore militants and recovery of sizeable quantities of arms and ammunition from them; and successful encounters with certain dreaded gansters.

(c) and (d) There is a renewed emphasis on strengthening of beat system of patrolling; surveillance over the activities of known bad characters; improvement of intelligence gathering; higher visibility of police of the vulnerable areas; verification of antecedents of domestic servants; and closer interaction with Residents' Welfare Associations to combat crime in the National Capital Territory of Delhi.

Crime in North-East

187. SHRIMATI BASANTI SARMA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the State-wise details of various crimes, including kidnapping, murder, extortion of money, etc., which took place during the last three in the North-Eastern Region; and

(b) what preventive measures Government propose to control crimes in different parts of the country?

THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI L.K. ADVANI): (a) Available information is given in the enclosed statement (*See* below).

(b) 'Public Order' and 'Police' are State subjects under the Constitution of India. Accordingly, the prevention of crime as well as the registration, investigation and detection of crime are primarily the responsibility of the State Government. However, the Central Government has been providing financial assistance to the State Governments for improving their policing infrastructure. The Central Government also snares intelligence with the State Governments and sends them advisories from time to time.

Statement

Details of Various crimes which took place during the last three years in the North-Eastern region

Sl No.	State	Murder	Kid-napping Abduction	Total IPC &Crime	Cog.Murder	Kid-napping & Abduction	Total IPC crime	Cog.Murder	Kid-napping & Abduction	Total IPC crime	Cog.
1.	Assam	1433	984	36490	1452	113	36562	879	881	23354	
2.	Tripura	228	43	3630	233	56	3444	197	166	2790	
3.	Nagaland	203	27	1378	192	21	1477	61	32	1014	
4.	Manipur	194	59	2573	299	62	2974	164	96	1999	
5.	Mizoram	43	0	2241	30	0	2122	26	5	1709	
6.	Arunachal Pradesh	76	35	1927	69	22	1876	38	28	1015	
7.	Mghalaya	139	13	1863	155	16	1978	90	6	1245	
8.	Sikkim	5	8	710	15	9	623	14	5	442	

NB: Figures for the year 1998 are provisional.